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Blue Grass Chemical Activity

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LEAKING MUSTARD MUNITION EVENT CONCLUDED

BLUE GRASS ARMY DEPOT, Ky. —The leaking Mustard artillery shell first detected in mid August was identified and overpacked by toxic chemical crews of the Blue Grass Chemical Activity. The leaking munition was then moved to a separate leaker igloo. Following the required number of monitoring days with no trace of Mustard agent vapor found in the original igloo, the leaking incident is closed out.

The igloos containing the overpacked chemical munitions are monitored every working day. To date, none of the munitions stored in that igloo have leaked through their overpack.

Both Madison County and Commonwealth of Kentucky Emergency Management Agencies as well as the Kentucky Department of Environmental Protection were kept informed during all aspects of the leaking munition. The community and environment were never at risk.

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